

Progress Report of the 20th Meeting of the  
Traffic and Transport Committee under  
Wong Tai Sin District Council held on 27 January 2015

Progress Report of the 19th Meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee under  
Wong Tai Sin District Council held on 25 November 2014

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Regarding the suggestion of constructing a lift at the footbridge across Lung Poon Street (Structure No. KF92) (Footbridge KF92), Members noted that the representatives of the Highways Department (HyD) and Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) had conducted an on-site inspection with District Council Member of the concerned constituency, Members of T&TC, and the representatives of Bel Air Heights and Galaxia. Members noticed that there was insufficient space on the pavement along Lung Poon Street near the Bel Air Heights for lift construction whereas the pavement at Lung Poon Street near the car park of Bel Air Heights was also not a suitable location for constructing the lift tower as it would obstruct drivers from viewing the traffic conditions of the entrance/exit of the car park.

2. On the other hand, during the on-site inspection, the representatives of Bel Air Heights proposed demolition and alternation of part of the staircase of Footbridge KF92 at the junction of Fung Tak Road and Lung Poon Street near main entrance of Bel Air Heights for construction of the lift tower. However, the representatives of HyD responded that according to the existing information, there were high voltage cables beneath the ground outside the main entrance of Bel Air Heights and that it would be rather difficult to relocate those cables. Besides, the proposal of demolition and alternation would also involve complex structural changes and consultancy study on its feasibility of the suggestion was required. However, the consultancy engaged by CEDD had already completed the feasibility studies on the three priority works projects of Wong Tai Sin District under the “universally accessible” programme and at the current stage no further resource was available for conducting study on any other project proposals.

Progress Report of the 6th Meeting of the Working Group on Barrier-free Facilities in Wong Tai Sin District of Traffic and Transport Committee under Wong Tai Sin District Council held on 4 December 2014  
(WTSDC T&TC Paper No. 5/2015)

3. The Chairman suggested incorporating the following projects suggested by Members into the project list of Working Group on Barrier-free Facilities in Wong Tai Sin District for follow-up. Besides, the Secretariat would arrange an on-site visit on 10 March 2015 for the representatives of departments concerned and Members to facilitate better understanding of the projects' feasibility.

- (i) Construction of a lift tower at Choi Fai Estate connecting Fung Chak House of Choi Wan (II) Estate;
- (ii) Construction of a footbridge and lift tower at Yok Yu House of Choi Wan (II) Estate connecting Choi Wan (I) Estate;
- (iii) Construction of a lift tower at the side of Choi Wan Estate Community Centre connecting the junction of Fung Shing Street and Ping Ting Road East;
- (iv) Construction of a lift at the side of the footbridge at the Market of Choi Wan Commercial Complex Phase (II); and
- (v) Construction of a lift near the Water Pumping Station at Clear Water Bay Road connecting Pak Fung House of Choi Wan (I) Estate.

Allocation of WTSDC Funds to the Traffic and Transport Committee for the Financial Year 2015-2016

4. Members noted the amount of WTSDC fund allocated to the T&TC for the Financial Year of 2015-16 and asked the Secretariat to offer assistance in inviting the Hong Kong Road Safety Association, Hong Kong Road Safety Patrol (Kowloon East Region), Traffic Kowloon East Region of the Hong Kong Police Force and Wong Tai Sin District Police Community Relations Office to submit their community involvement project proposals for Members' thorough consideration.

### Incident of Bus on Fire and Severely Burnt at Lung Cheung Road

5. Regarding the incident of a Kowloon Motor Bus Company (KMB) bus of route no. 42C being on fire and severely burnt at Lung Cheung Road of Wong Tai Sin near Tin Ma Court on the evening of 22 January 2015, Members noted that the KMB, after its preliminary investigation, had ruled out the possibilities of fuel oil, lubricant oil or exhaust gas leakage; or engine compartment on fire due to electric short circuit; or motion control system (i.e. braking system) or suspension system or vehicle wheel on fire, being the cause of the incident. Even the possibility of chassis on fire caused by roadside miscellaneous objects being drawn into the exhaust pipe had also been ruled out. The KMB also clarified that the news coverage on the fire being caused by overheated air-cooling system was incorrect. While commending the outstanding performance demonstrated by the driver of the bus in question, Members urged the KMB to complete its investigation on the cause of the accident as soon as possible and suggested KMB to strength promotion of the fire prevention messages. Also, the Transport Department (TD) was advised to note Members' concerns about the excessively long service years of the bus fleet.

### Issue Concerning Illegal Parking at Taxi Stands

6. Members were concerned about the illegal parking by taxis at the taxi stands in the district, including the taxi stand at the Diamond Hill Public Transport Interchange and the one outside Lung Hing Public library at Ching Tak Street. Members suggested TD to continue to call on the taxi associations and members of the trade not to commit illegal parking by having their taxis parked at the taxi stands. The Police was also urged to keep a close eye on the illegal parking issue and it was believed that even if the Police might have some constraints over enforcement at private roads, majority of the drivers would be co-operative after being repeatedly given advice.

### Urge to Face Up to Illegal Parking Problem at Po Kong Village Road

7. Members urged the Police to step up its law enforcement against illegal parking at Po Kong Village Road, Yuk Wah Street, Shung Ling Street and Lung Chi Path at Ngau Chi Wan in order to improve the illegal parking situation there. Besides, some Members also urged the Police to follow-up on the speeding problem of illegally "modified vehicles" in the small hours.

Follow-up on the traffic issue in relation to the Land Exchange for the Development of the Kowloon City Baptist Church Project

8. Members noted that the Kowloon City Baptist Church was preparing a Chinese translation of the traffic impact assessment report in respect of the land exchange for church development project and the report would be submitted as soon as possible for T&TC's discussion.

2015-16 Bus Route Planning Programme for Wong Tai Sin District

9. Members agreed that a special meeting would be held at 2:30 pm on 23 March 2015 (Monday) at the Conference Room, Wong Tai Sin District Council, for discussing the "2015-16 Bus Route Planning Programme for Wong Tai Sin District".

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